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Background with mild shield: N-dimensional filter analysis

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Background with mild shield

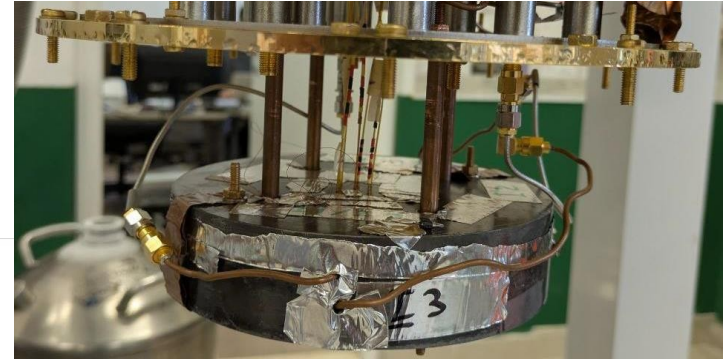
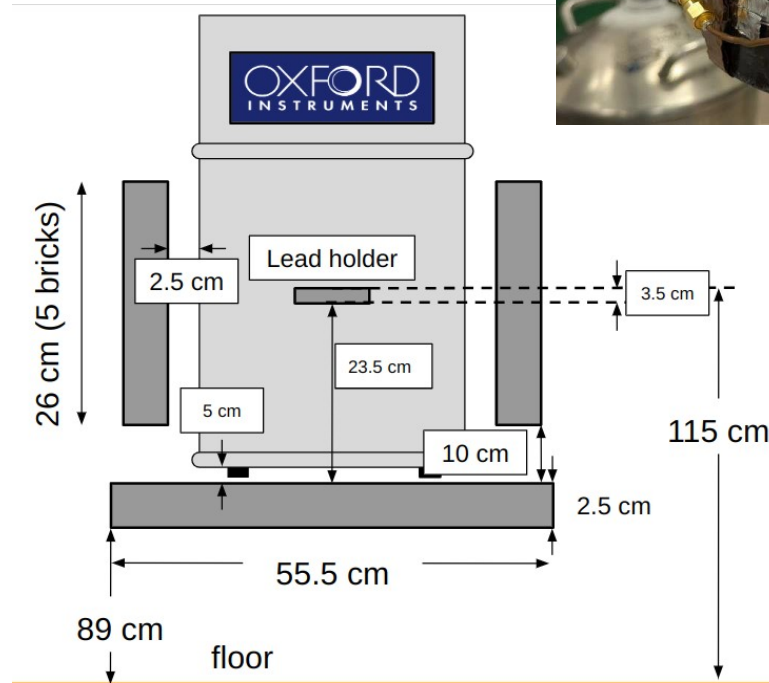
Data with internal and external lead shield.

290 hours for 2 clusters with 15 KIDs.

19 Apr 22:00 – 5 May 8:00.

Presentation by D. Delicato at the last collaboration meeting.

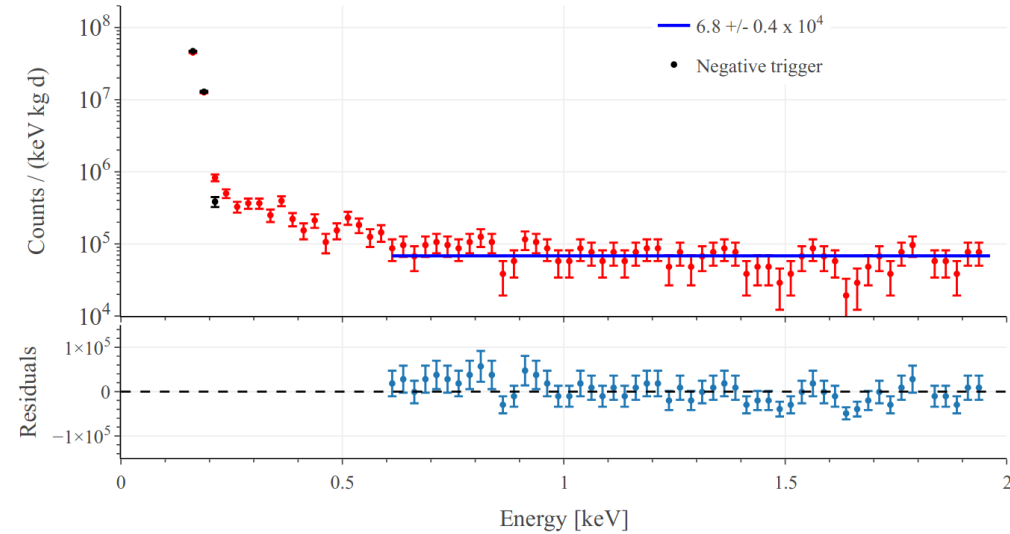
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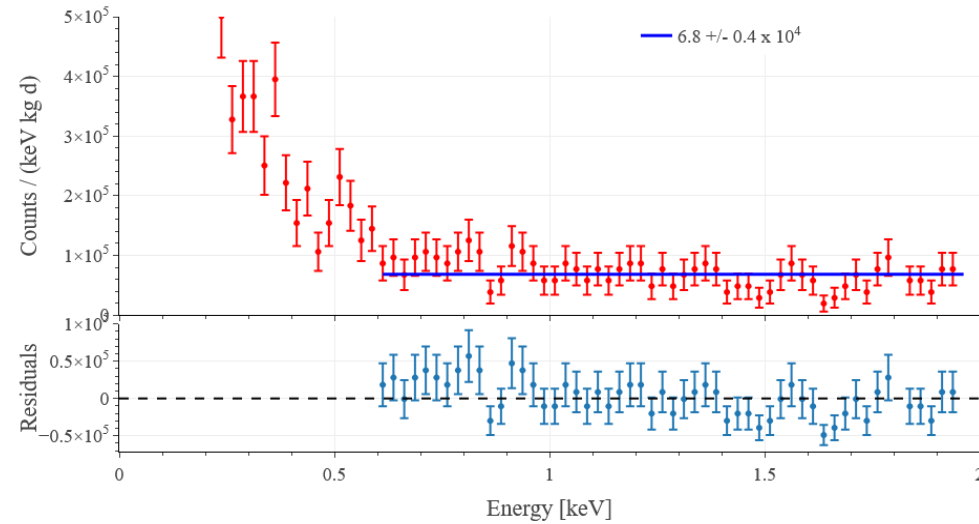
Low energy spectrum results

Flat component [600 eV – 2 keV] compatible with simulations.
Below 600 eV we see an increase of a factor ≈ 5 which is under investigation.

Energy spectrum COMBINED; RUN TIME: 290.0h



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Usual cuts on shape parameters of the optimum filter and cluster/coincidence cuts.

Low energy analysis with N dimensional filter

Preliminary analysis of pixel 47 with the N dimensional optimum filter (OFND).

The filtered signal is:

$$\tilde{v}_{\text{flt}}(f) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{a,b=1}^N \tilde{s}_a^*(f) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{-1} \tilde{v}_b(f)$$

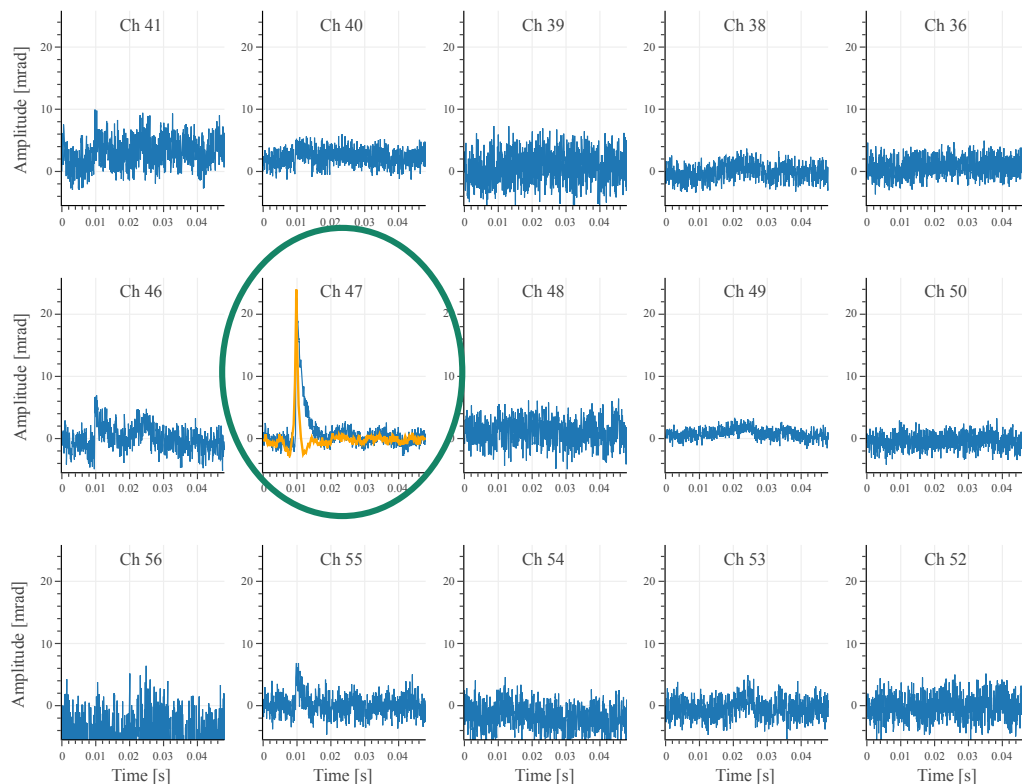
templates noise covariance waveforms

Combines the signals on different detectors to improve the amplitude resolution.

Talk at collaboration meeting in Pisa.

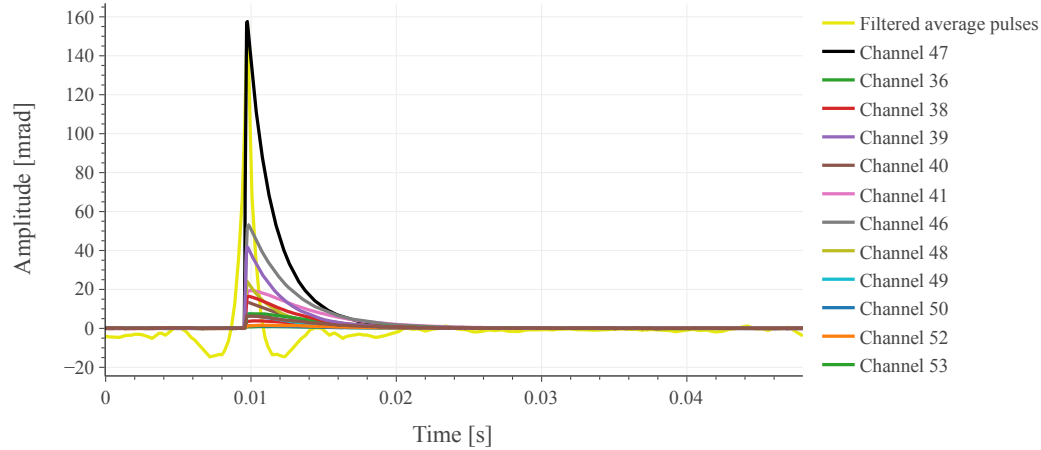
Goals:

- Reduce the impact of negative triggers near threshold
- Find new shape variables to cut on and investigate the background rise

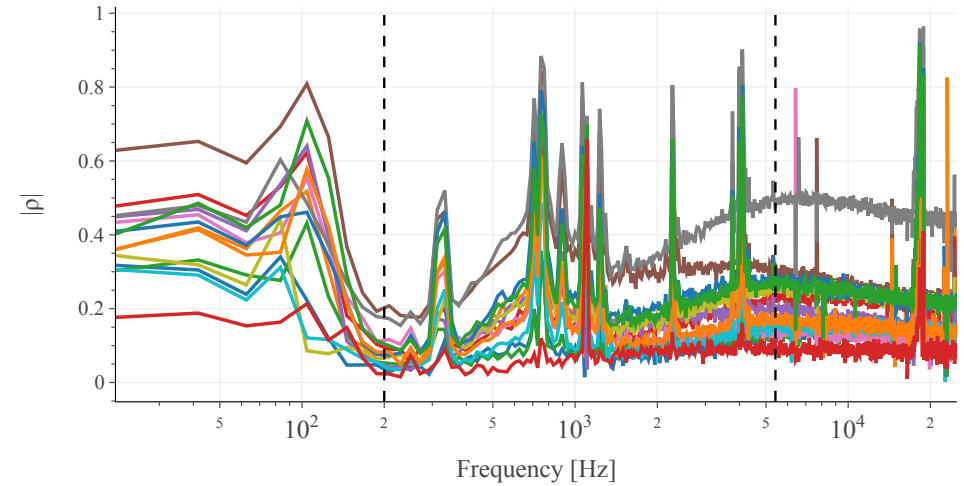


Constructing the filter

Array of average pulses, with pixel 47 as the main channel and the other templates built with events in coincidence.



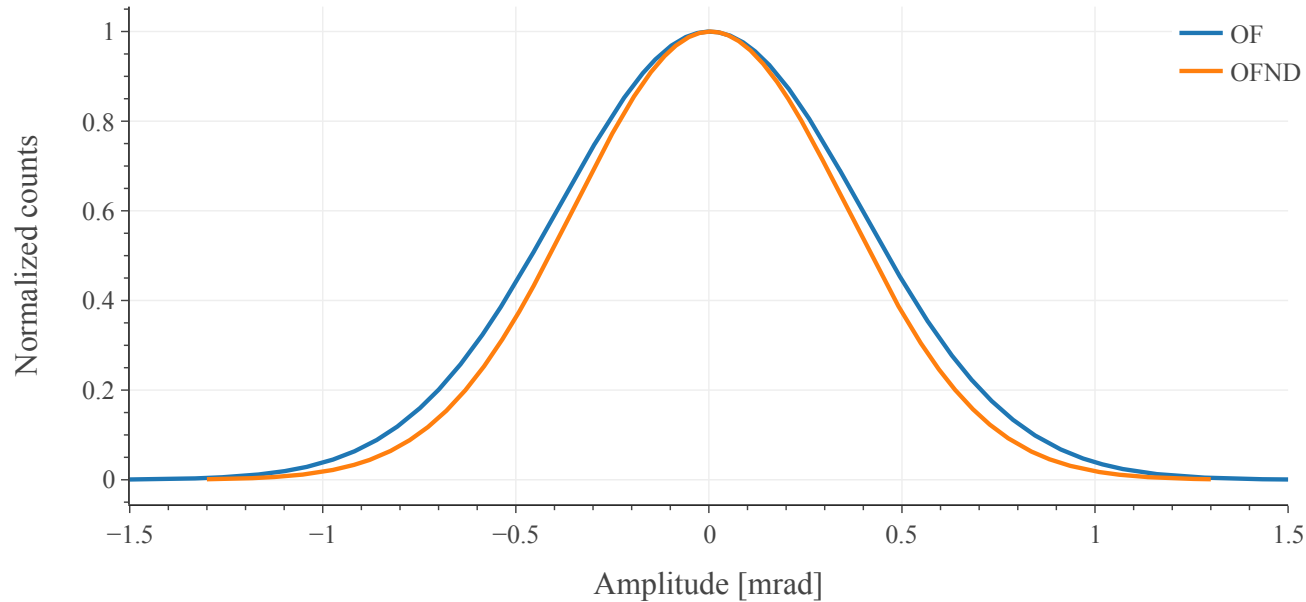
Noise correlation between main channel 47 and neighbors channels



- Expected baseline resolution with OF: 0.3980 mrad
- Expected baseline resolution with OFND: 0.3548 mrad
- Expected gain in resolution: $\approx 10\%$

Baseline resolution in mrad

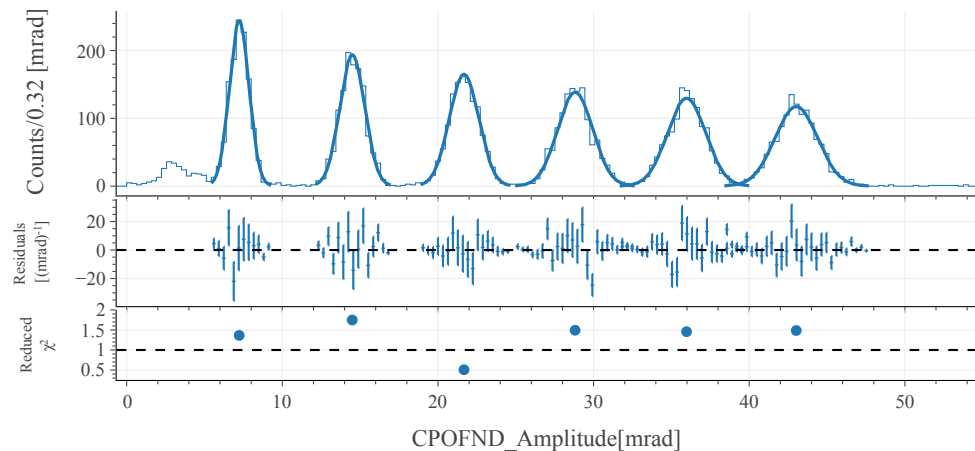
Indeed, a gain in the baseline resolution of 9.7 % with respect to the standard optimum filter was observed with the multidimensional filter.



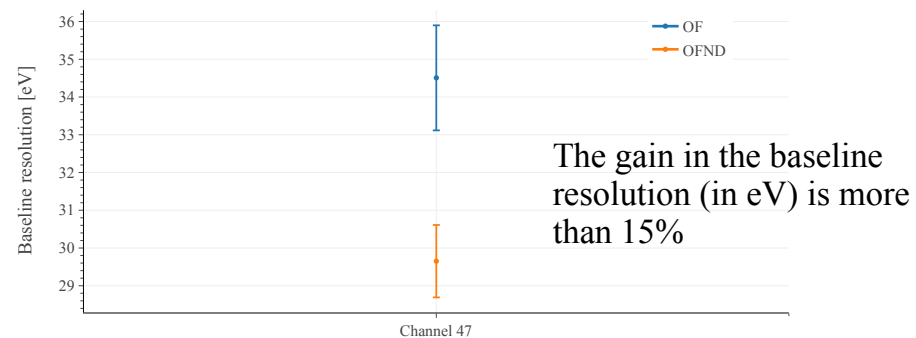
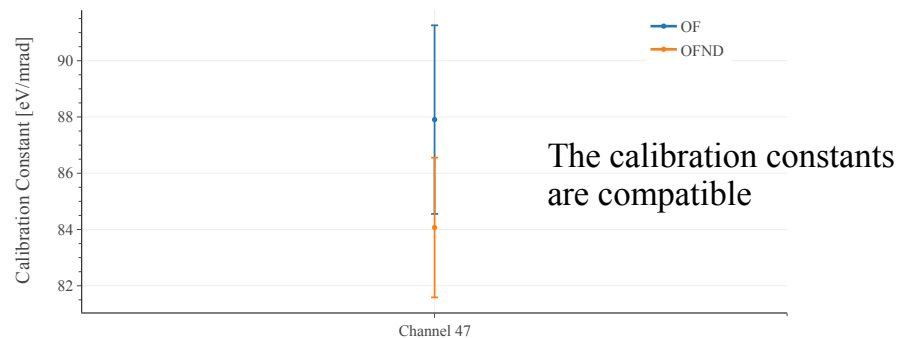
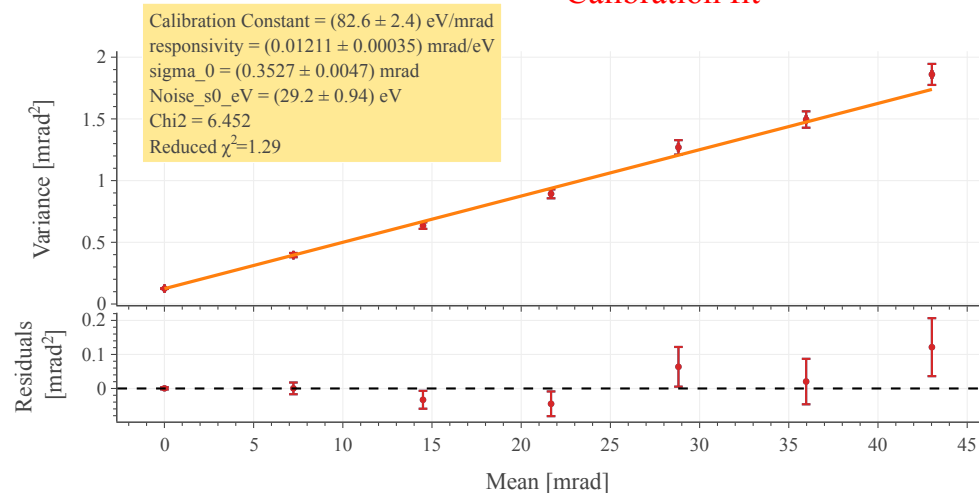
LED calibration

Compare the LED calibration with OF and OFND.

LED gaussians



Calibration fit



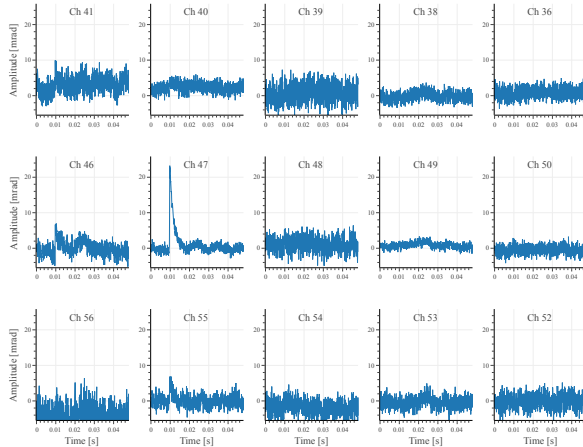
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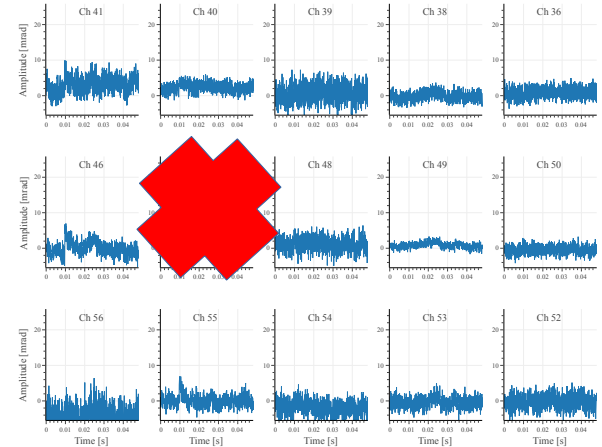
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amplitude A



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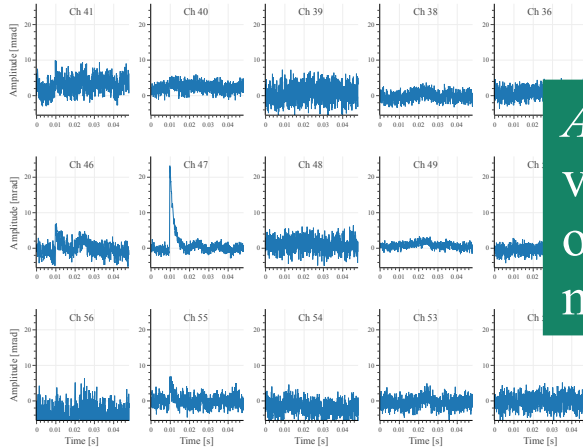
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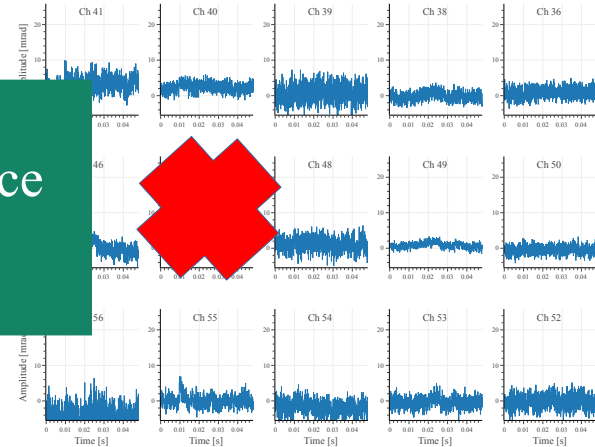


$A - A'$ is the new shape variable. Amplitude difference of OFND with and without main channel

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New shape variable linearized

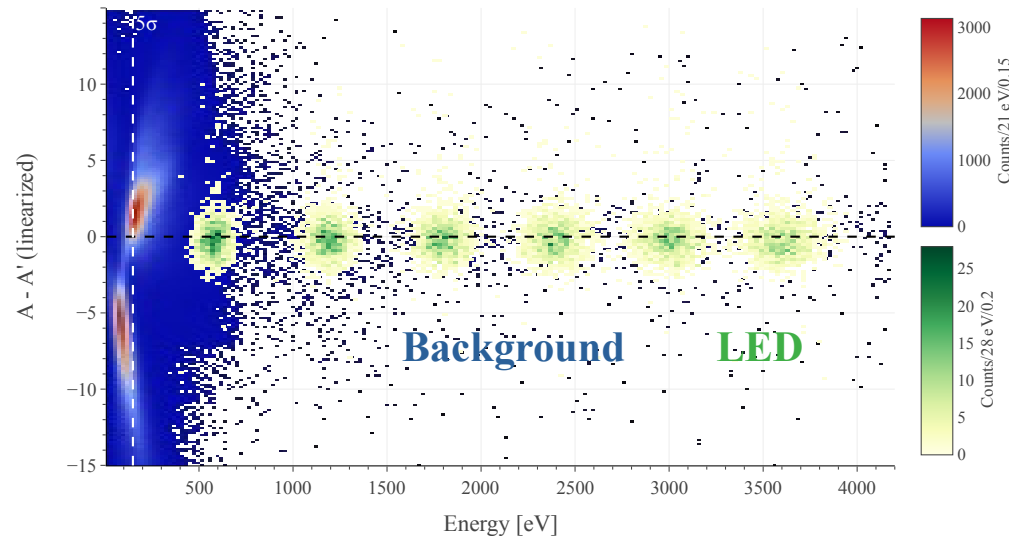
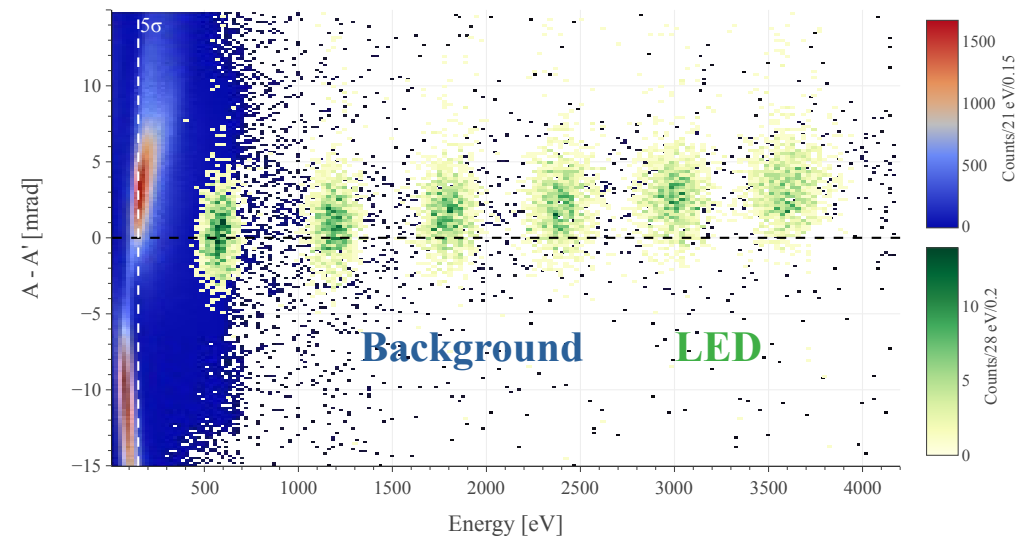
Linearize and normalize the variable in a way that is linear and independent of the energy.

Linearization procedure (subtract the mean
and divide by the standard deviation)

Energy dependence



Normal distributions centered around zero



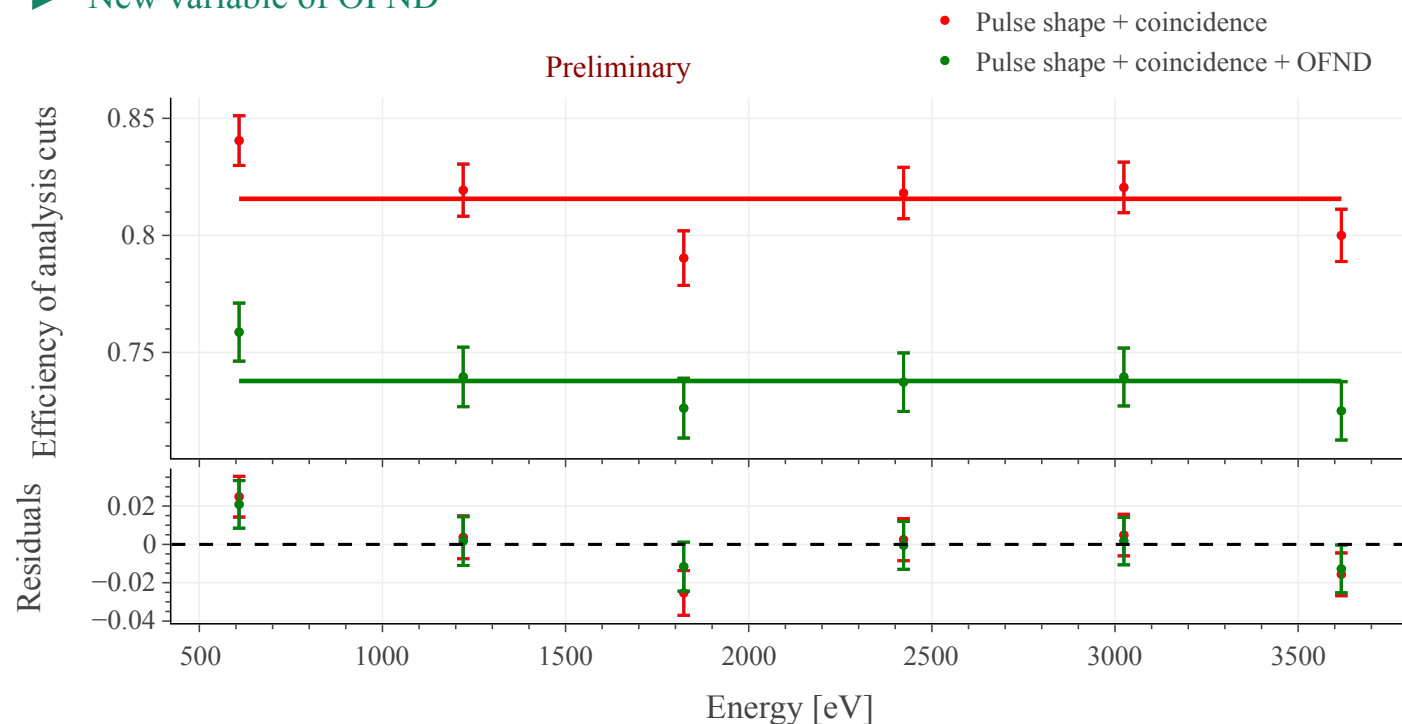
Cuts and efficiencies

Analysis cuts:

- Basic pulse shape cuts \rightarrow Pulse shape cuts from basic parameters and optimum filter
- $\chi^2_{\text{OF}} < 1.3$
- $\Psi_i < 3$ \rightarrow Coincidence cuts (see [here](#) for the variable definition)
- $\Omega < 5$
- $A-A'(\text{linearized}) < 1.5$ \rightarrow New variable of OFND

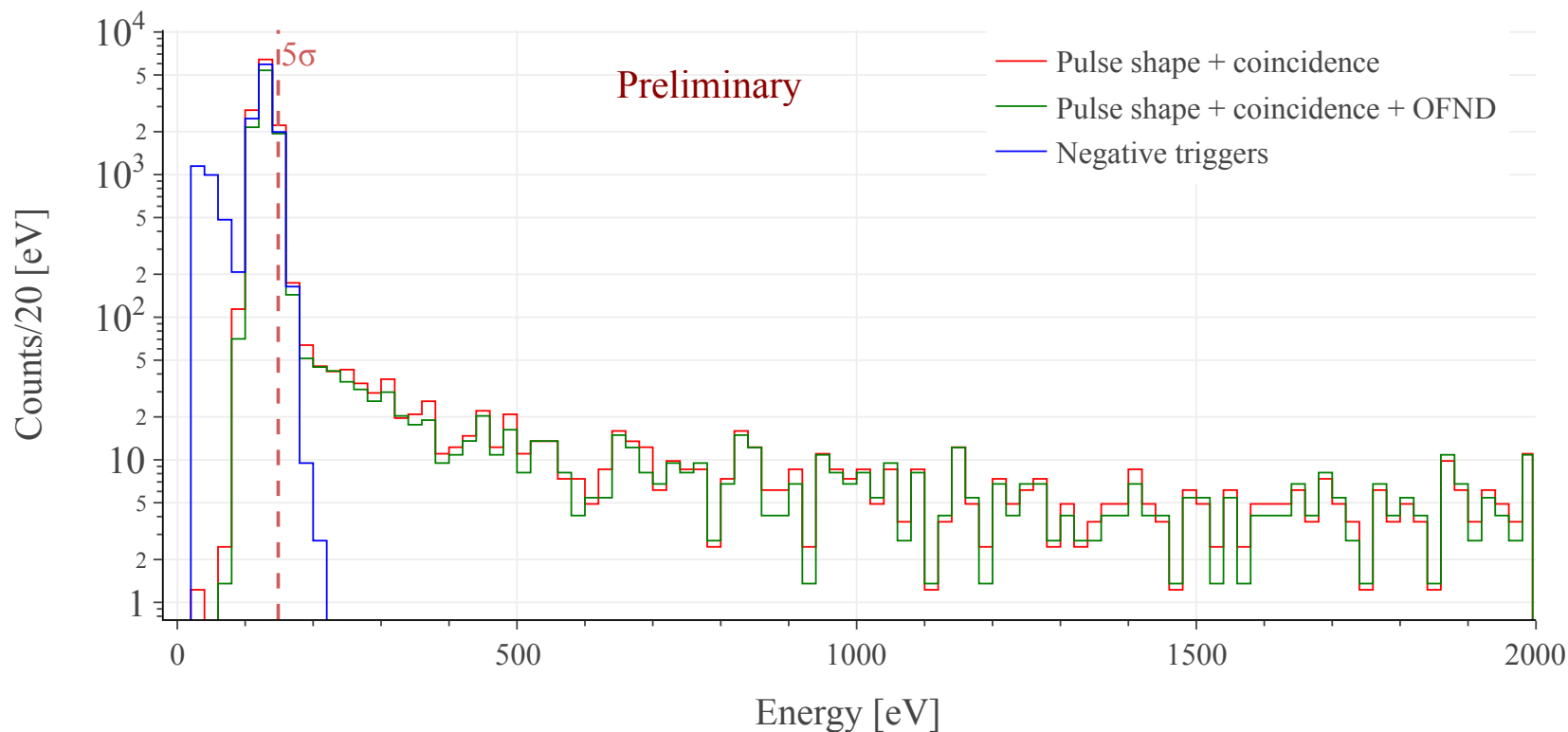
Variables built to have a flat efficiency until threshold.

The efficiency is around 70-80 %.



Preliminary energy spectrum

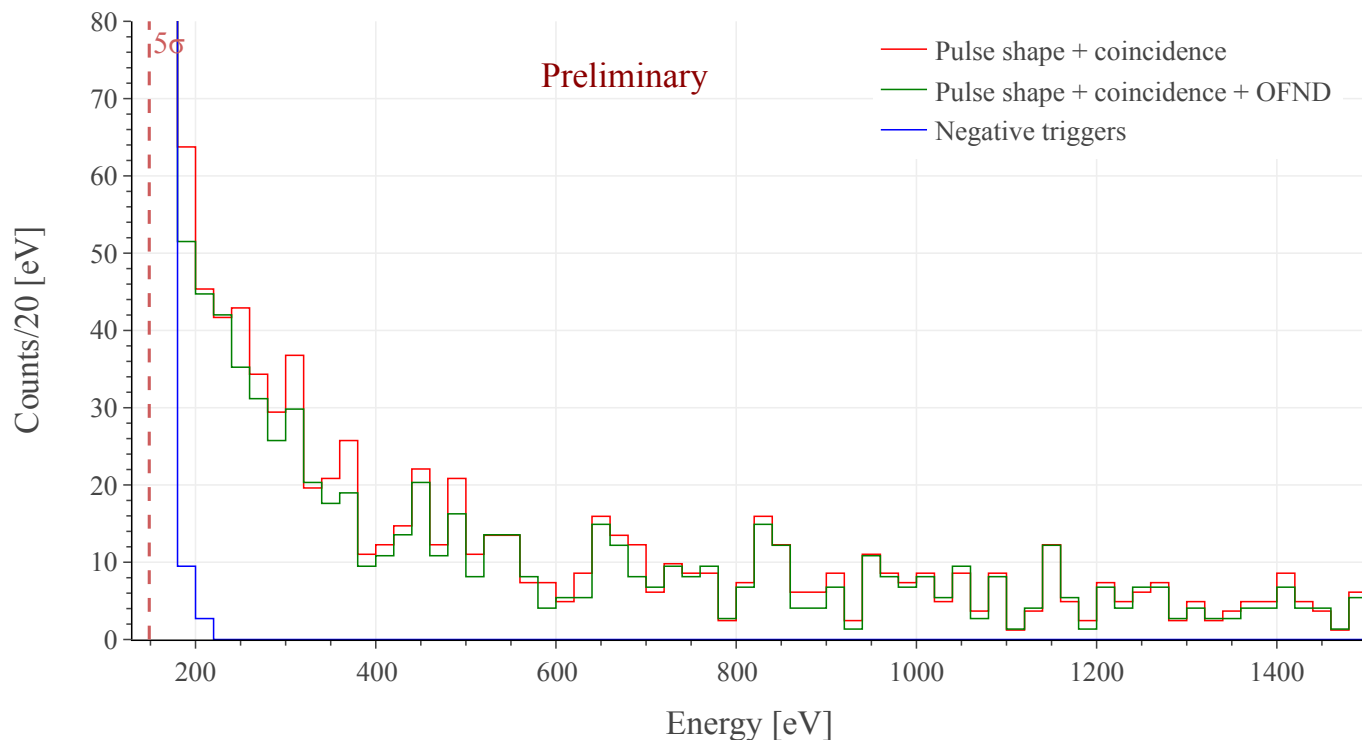
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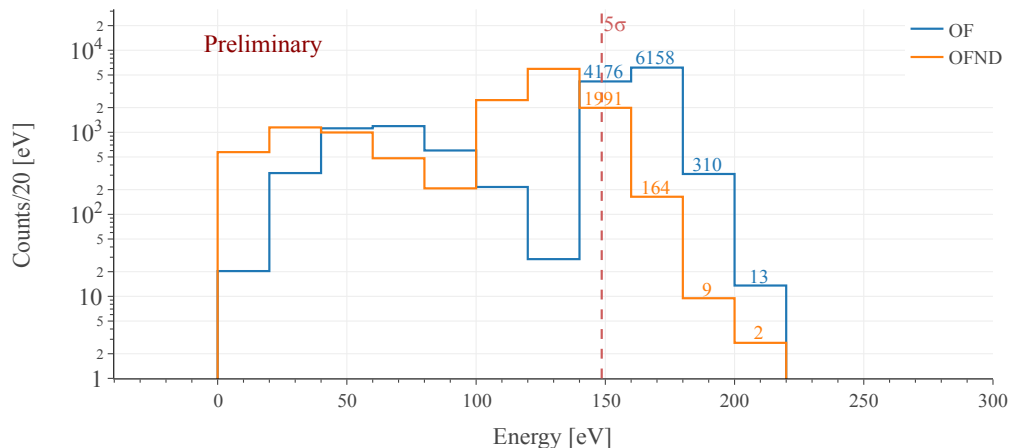


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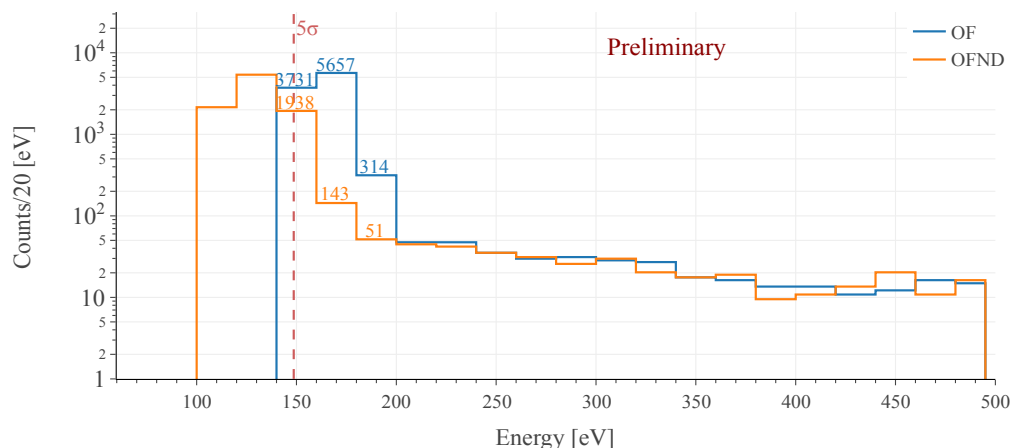
Gain with the multidimensional filter

The exponential rise due to the negative triggers begins closer to the energy threshold with the multidimensional matched filter.

Negative triggers after analysis cuts



Background after analysis cuts



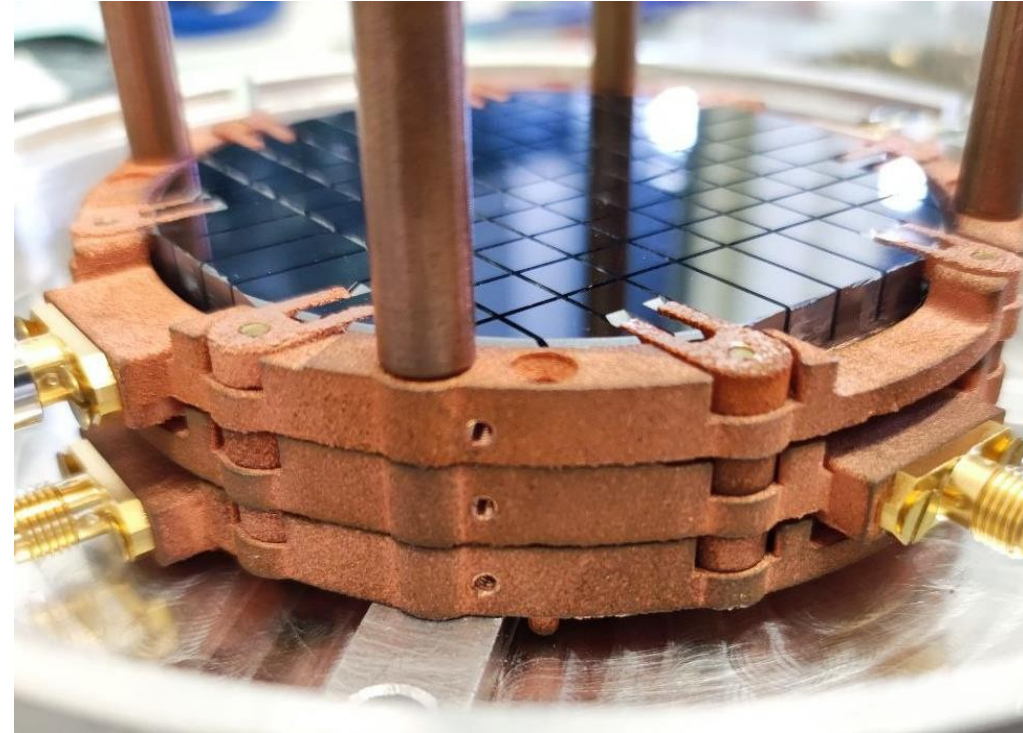
Still, the negative triggers dominate the spectrum at low energies.

Next steps

Preliminary analysis shows an improvement of 10-15 % in the baseline resolution and less negative trigger rate near threshold.

To do:

- Investigate variables to possibly discriminate between negative triggers and signals
- Play with cuts to further reduce the background level
- Continue studying the rise at threshold





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Thanks for your attention!
